

I recently read about the pending FCC decision on the broadcast flag that the TV and movie industry has so desparately tried to push. I can only offer my own sadness in this. This past week, I have been doing several things in the evening 'primetime' hour that have prevented me from watching television (exams, interviews, etc). I decided to set up my VCR to record the shows that I missed so that I could watch them at a later date (though I have still yet to watch them and it is three days later). From what I understand, with the broadcast flag that would be added to HDTV, I would be prevented from doing this, and I would no longer be allowed to excercise this flexibility. However, perhaps this is a good thing, I may end up watching less TV and doing other things :-).